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coming to visit us at all? I can
only understand that it will be
better for you in many respects
to be in the City. The wear &
tear of 16 miles of travel per day
is as small item in the general
consumption - & you dear Abby
have nothing to waste. You will
be able, being on the spot, be able
to form acquaintances who may
be of value to you in your work - so
why should I growl inasmuch
as I mean to love you as often
as I can notwithstanding? -

It is possible that I shall
go to D. M. by & bye for a few
days - but it is uncertain. Sarah
- Jennie - is going to write to me -
at least I heard so - Give her
my love - we. She & I will talk
one of these ^{days} always better than
writing - but in the meanwhile
her communications will every day
be dropping - & what seems now
irretrievable & many taken on
shape & feasibility - Don't hurry
her.

& make her think she has
got to drive at something right
away - whatever she does at
last will be all the better for
her having grown ^{her} higher in c & de-
liberate conviction & a full
want. — I think well of
the col^d refuge (not "entrepreneur"
& w^h. in plus property in man)
scheme. but it demands thorough
knowledge & physical strength
& in such place there sh^d. be
other friends ^{more} experienced to bear
her company.

If Aunt Fizzie
hasn't you give her my love
& if she has ditto. I think
you, not her it seems for the
picture - it is one of the best I
have ever - & the knitting work
one to the life - I don't believe
any body but the sun ever caught
with the work in her lap in that
way.

It is very. I had settled down
that morning for a day at the desk.
when Sarah came & deliberately

rooted me out - I had to go. An-
toni drove us (Larni too) to West
Swanton where my relatives I had
to go to Church - but was by no
means easy to hear S. Johnson.
He preached well. But the
day - how it - preached! The
slugging still holds - the rambling.
Edw. has driven into town for
two days to look after his
affairs - he is now somewhat
anxious about one of his steam
ships - the Saxon, wh. is hunting
after the Vermont & wh. have
been in unless she has found
her (wh. seems unlikely) bef.
this. The Vermont has a very
valuable cargo - guns & ammunition
etc. & 4000 men on board - the
ship itself of immense value -
but in this war what a little
swallow is this item! - A day
of the President's message our
fals informed to say - The smaller
ferries gratefully recd. if it is
a fuller (contact) & stepping stone

all Love to him! If a fidelity
he won't need any help of ours
to comfort him -

Good Night -
Dear - Addy you are coming
& good nights will come
soon. but in reality can
they be nearer than this - &
this - You will not let me
sleep with my arms over my head -
but how is it you always know
when they get there? - Addy.
My little one - then not a little
mother time there is no repeating
& won't I separate from them
by earthly occasions. I fear I shd.
have a baby's longings for some
of the care - as it is then naked
& long arm & spanned the sound
& the length of the horrid coil
& I obediently keep my arms under
the blankets - Then not very good
to tell me all that makes them
glad & sad - fear not too so. then
rest. not doubt - Give my love
to thy good Father & Mother - &
Remembrance (especially) to the
poor Hospital -
Ann